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SUBJECT: NATIONAL WAR COLLEGE 1975 STUDY GROUP VISIT TO
AFRICA

1. NWC IS MAKING FINAL PLANS FOR AFRICA VISIT THIS YEAR.
IN EARLY STAGES OF PLANNING UPPER VOLTA WAS CHOSEN FOR
SEVERAL REASONS AMONG WHICH WERE FAVORABLE REACTION BY LAST
YEAR'S NWC STUDENTS TO SIMILAR STOP IN MALI, DESIRE TO
VISIT SMALL FRANCOPHONE CAPITAL AND INTEREST IN SEEING
SAHEL PROBLEMS AT FIRST HAND.

2. AMBASSADOR GRAHAM HAS STATED HIS BELIEF THAT GOUV
WOULD BE DELIGHTED PUT ITS CASE FOR US ARMS TO SENIOR US
MILITARY AND GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS IN THIS MANNER. HE
POINTS OUT GOM WOULD NOT HAVE EQUAL OPPORTUNITY AND
BELIEVES OPINION EMBASSY BAMAKO ON EFFECT US/MALI RELATIONS
OF NWC VISIT SHOULD BE SOUGHT. WE AGREE AND WOULD
APPRECIATE YOUR REACTION. KISSINGER

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